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Ex parte Jordan Bartlett Jones, Appellant

Appeal from Smith County

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STATE'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A BRIEF IN EXCESS OF THE WORD LIMIT

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TO THE HONORABLE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS:

Comes now the State of Texas, by and through its State Prosecuting Attorney, and respectfully submits to the Court its motion to file a brief in excess of the word limit. Given (1) the importance of the issues presented, (2) how complicated review for constitutionality under the First Amendment has proven to be, and (3) the fact that there will be no opportunity for conversation in person, the undersigned attorney has endeavored to submit a brief that is as comprehensive and helpful as possible. This includes a thorough, 1,500+ word analysis of a recent out-of-state case which would have required a supplemental brief had the State's brief been filed on time. The result is a brief that far exceeds the limit of 15,000 words but which should both answer every question the Court has and make any future responsive briefing unnecessary.

WHEREFORE, the State prays that its motion to file a brief in excess of the word limit be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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